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## TOWN MEETING

(Continued from page 1.)

Heve there is a Hawaiian here who cannot understand English."

Kumalae's motion was not put. J. A. Matthewman moved that the resolution be adopted and Senator Dickey seconded.

MR. THURSTON SPEAKS.

L. A. Thurston moved that the last amendment relative to a special session of the legislature be rejected. He said in part: "I did not come here especially to speak, and was not at the last town meeting, but I do not think that these resolutions should be adopted without discussion or some expression of opinion. There have been many statements in the public press and on the streets, the subject matter of which was the mission to Washington, which is not mentioned in this report. I fully coincide with the views of the committee in leaving out this reference to the mission to Washington. I was and still am opposed to such an expedition as that of Mr. Hatch, for the reasons which were pretty well stated at the last public meeting. But the conditions have changed entirely from those of a week ago. At that time it was proposed to do something. Now something has been done. The matter has been presented before Congress and there are now reasons why we should not take a stand against it and present a divided front to Congress. We must present one united front and not do as California has been doing, sending divided delegations to Washington. Although I am opposed to Mr. Hatch's going to Washington, and believe that we are able to take care of our own local affairs yet the bill to approve the county act having been already introduced, I for one believe that we should leave the matter entirely alone and not present a wrangling front in Congress."

"I do not think that those who favor taking the case before the Supreme Court for a test, want the county law knocked out. I did not believe that it was a sound policy to have seven governments in these islands with a population less than that of one ward in New York City, but the feeling of the majority of the people are favorable to county government, and it was expressed in the conventions of both parties and by the almost unanimous voice of the legislature, and I for one accept the county law as the one which will rule in this Territory."

"But there is the uncertainty about the law, which even the original advocates of county government admit, and the interests of every citizen, every man, woman and child in the Territory are jeopardized until we know whether it is law or not, until they get an authoritative decision of the Supreme Court."

"For this reason the committee has called upon the Bar Association for aid. But when we say, as these resolutions do, that now, two or three weeks before hand, that we want to call the legislature together to pass a new county act, when we don't know what the Supreme Court is going to do, I believe we are going too fast, especially in view of the revelations regarding the legislature made within the past two or three weeks."

"I renew the amendment already made, that the portion of the resolutions be rejected that calls for a special session of the legislature, as this would only further destroy confidence. I see the Attorney General quoted at the last meeting as saying that it would cost \$30,000 and while I do not believe it would be that much, yet it would certainly cost a great deal of money, which we cannot afford at this time. There is no need of borrowing trouble when we are not certain that the Supreme Court will knock the county act out. Because it did knock out one section is no particular reason why the remaining portions are invalid. Two prominent attorneys who have been giving the matter some study are positive that the reasons given by the Supreme Court for knocking out the Territorial Board of Public Institutions do not apply to the balance of the law. It is unsound to consider beforehand that we want an extra session and still further increase the feeling of insecurity. I am in favor of waiting until the Supreme Court has passed upon the question."

E. P. DOLE'S VIEWS.

"Both political parties and the legislature were almost unanimous in favor of county government," said E. P. Dole. "I am in favor of giving the county act a trial on its merits, and it seems to me that the only question is how to best do this. While it might have been wiser in the beginning not to have sent Mr. Hatch to Congress yet according to the report cabled here he has been doing good work in Washington. It is one thing to decline to send an emissary to Congress and quite another to throw him down when his work is well done. I believe also in taking the case to the Supreme Court. "When you have two strings to your bow, pull them both. While as a citizen I was not in favor of sending him down, for the reason that the people in Washington have the kindest feelings towards this Territory, and stand together we can get everything we want in Washington."

"Now Mr. Hatch has gone there as the representative of certain interests and it is up to us to show whether we are going to increase our name for bickering, or whether we are going to show the people that the people stand by him for the public good."

"It is wise to put the test case before the Supreme Court, for if we fail on the one hand we will still have the other to fall back upon. One suggestion I might make, is in regard to the Japanese hackdrivers. Every lawyer knows that one provision may be knocked out without affecting the whole act. If this section is void, it is void under the Constitution of the Act, and the validating of the act as a whole by Congress, cannot validate the section, or put in force anything which is in violation of the United States constitution."

STEWART ALSO TALKS.

T. McCants Stewart opposed the com-

mission resolutions and offered a resolution of his own. He opposed particularly the feature which suggested calling upon the Bar Association to bring a test case, saying that the lawyers would first have to be given a fee. "I have yet to know of a member of the Bar Association who ordinarily works without a retainer and this resolution is simply shooting into the air. Now if a subscription list had been proposed to raise money for a retainer, there would have been some practicability in the resolutions."

"But another thing. The Supreme Court has adjourned until January 11th and I say it as true that no man can sit in this town meeting tonight who can say that the Supreme Court will sit before that date, or that a decision can be obtained within three weeks. I endorse the suggestion that the situation has changed since the last meeting. I am not talking for the Governor, but am looking at a member of the government who should talk for him. But in this instance it is not for this town meeting to turn down the Governor of the Territory or the Delegate in Congress. I have here a resolution drawn by myself, which I have shown to but three persons in this world—W. R. Farrington, Judge Humphreys and J. D. Avery."

The resolution was introduced as follows:

STEWART RESOLUTION.

Whereas, the Governor and other citizens, acting through F. M. Hatch, Esq., have caused a bill to be introduced in Congress by our Delegate, whose object is to remedy the defects in and remove the cloud from our County Act; and

Whereas, we favor the immediate establishment of county government, and believe that prompt action by Congress will prevent legal complications and governmental confusion, and will save money to the taxpayers; therefore

Resolved, by the citizens of Honolulu in a non-partisan mass meeting, that we hereby approve the said action of the Governor, and endorse the bill introduced in Congress by our Delegate, and appearing in the Honolulu newspapers of today.

Resolved, that this resolution be cabled to our Delegate and the President.

ASHFORD ALSO HAS ONE.

C. W. Ashford also came up smiling with another resolution of directly opposite tenor. "I am in favor of local control of local affairs and endorse the proposition that local control is not to be had in the Congress of the United States. Congress provided us with the machinery to carry on our government and we will be greatly to blame if we allow this Stewart resolution to be carried through. As far as I can ascertain so far, no one knows who sent Mr. Hatch to Washington, and any resolution which seeks to represent him as the agent of the people is not true. He is the representative only of the Governor and Attorney General and one or two more, but not of the Territory of Hawaii. The delegate is there to do the business of this Territory and that mission should go through him."

Mr. Ashford also said he favored an immediate appeal to the Supreme Court but he thought it extremely ill-advised and discourteous, to introduce a bill in Congress advocating ratifying the county act and the election held under it, when a contest is on before the local Supreme Court.

MR. ASHFORD'S RESOLUTION.

Mr. Ashford then introduced the following resolution:

Whereas, Mr. F. M. Hatch has gone to Washington at the behest of a few citizens, whose identity is held in secrecy, for the purpose of securing the enactment by Congress of legislation in regard to the organization of County Government in Hawaii; and

Whereas, we deem such proposed legislation by Congress to be a reflection upon the intelligence of our people, their ability to achieve their own desires and their capacity for local self-government;

Therefore Be it Resolved, by the citizens, voters and taxpayers of Honolulu in a non-partisan mass meeting assembled: That Mr. F. M. Hatch does not in any sense represent the people of this Territory in his said mission and has no authority to express their hopes or wishes; that we earnestly beseech Congress not to enact the bill proposed by Mr. Hatch, or any other bill in regard to the organization and government of counties in Hawaii, without first giving the people of Hawaii an opportunity to be heard thereon; and

Be it Further Resolved: that copies of this resolution be cabled to our Delegate in Congress, the Speaker of the House of Representatives, and the President of the Senate.

Mr. Ashford stated that if the Hatch mission was to be endorsed then the proper thing was to request Congress to delay action until the people here have an opportunity to examine into the bill introduced by him.

CROOK HAS HARD TIME.

A. H. Crook seconded the resolution and said that the voice of the people had not been heard, and he wanted to be heard on the question. "No one knows who sent Mr. Hatch to Washington. He went to San Francisco we are told, and then to Washington to sound influential friends in Congress, and the next thing we get a telephone, I mean a telegram, no a cable saying he had introduced."

"I rise to a point of order," said Senator Achi, suiting the action to the word.

"Sit down," said the crowd. Achi kept on rising but the crowd made so much noise that he couldn't be heard.

"Sit down," shouted Crook. "I won't," said Achi, still standing. "What kind of a point of order is it?" shouted George Markham.

"He is not speaking on the resolution before the house," Achi finally managed to say.

"Charlie Achi is out of order," ruled George Markham.

At this point High Sheriff Brown and Deputy Sheriff Chillingworth took hold of Markham and he calmed down under their influence.

THE POINT OF ORDER.

Achi then got the attention of the chairman and stated that the speaker could not talk on the Ashford resolution until the committee report had been rejected.

"If he digresses too far I will call him to order," said the chairman.

—GRAND—

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Mr. Crook stated also that Hatch had the bill in his pocket when he left and the Governor knew of it. "It is a question of whether we are going to whitewash the Governor for taking our rights away," said he.

"There has been no proclamation by Mr. Hatch that he represents Hawaii," said Mr. Smith. "He took along this bill which the representative has introduced in Congress. The speakers will be confined to the resolution, which is not the question of the status of the Governor or what Mr. Hatch intends to do in Washington."

QUINN CALLED DOWN.

"I am in favor of local government by the people, but the people here do not seem to be able to control local affairs," said Clem Quinn. "Shame," some one shouted and Quinn's remarks were drowned by the cries of the crowd.

Quinn said also that the county bill introduced in the first legislature was the rottenest he had ever seen and he was stopped this time by the chairman. Quinn said he approved of Congressional action and started talking when he was again stopped.

"Gentlemen, I thank you," he said before the chairman could state his objection.

F. W. Terril as an American citizen wanted to deny that the Territory was not able to control local government. He was ruled out of order on protest by Quinn and stopped talking.

ANOTHER QUINN TALKS.

James Quinn said he wanted a county act if the Bulletin told the truth. He wanted to support Mr. Hatch and said the principal argument in favor of it was that the Advertiser opposed it. He was ruled out of order and compelled to sit down, when he started to talk about the Advertiser wanting a citizen's ticket in the county election. He also said there was too

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PANAMA, Dec. 11.—The Junta is preparing to call a convention for the election of Representatives.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 11.—Preparations are being made for the reception of the Grand Vizier of Persia, who is expected to arrive soon by way of Honolulu.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 11.—It is reported that Colombia troops that were advancing on the Isthmus have been withdrawn. Colombians are said to be more disposed to accept the Panama situation without opposition in force.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 11.—The feature of today's session of the Senate was the speech of Senator Bard of California against the Cuban Reciprocity bill. Senator Bard made a strong plea for the protection of the American sugar industry from the inroads of Cuban competition.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 11.—The Republican National Committee met today in this city with Senator Hanna presiding. After the early preliminary session the committee members visited President Roosevelt and were given a very cordial reception.

The time and place for holding the next National Republican convention will be decided tomorrow. This is one of the principal objects of the committee assembly.